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The Honorable James A. Baker
Secretary of State
U.S. Department of State
2201 C Street, N.W.
Washington, DC 20520

Dear Mr. Secretary:

The Soviet KGB's willingness to share information about
the bugging of our new Moscow embassy is just one
indication of the dramatic change in the relationship
between the United States and the former Soviet Union.
The cooperation displayed by this unprecedented gesture
of good faith might be useful in obtaining additional
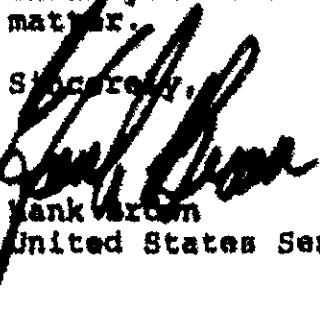information about the fate of Raoul Wallenberg.

As you know, Raoul Wallenberg was a Swedish diplomat who
is credited with saving the lives of at least 100,000
Hungarian Jews who were assigned for deportation to Nazi
death camps. While acting on behalf of the United
States, and working with U.S. funds and directives, he
provided food, shelter, medical supplies and most
importantly, protection, to Hungarian Jews fleeing Nazi
persecution.

At the end of World War II, Mr. Wallenberg disappeared,
having been taken into Soviet custody. Although the
Soviets reported in 1957 that he had died in prison ten
years earlier, I understand there have been a number of
reported sightings since that time.

In 1981, the United States honored Raoul Wallenberg by
proclaiming him an honorary citizen of our country and
reaffirming our commitment to determining his fate. Mr.
Secretary, as relations between the United States and the
former Soviets continue to improve, I urge you to
strengthen this commitment by requesting further
information about Mr. Wallenberg's whereabouts.

Thank you in advance for your attention to this important
matter.

Sincerely,

Hank Brown
United States Senator

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